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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Anaheim – Police Arrest 24 in California Protest Over Off-Duty Officer Shooting

(U) Two dozen people were arrested in Anaheim during a protest calling for the arrest of an off-duty Los Angeles police officer who fired a gun during an altercation with a teenager outside of the officer's home, according to the police. Nobody was wounded in the shooting incident, which occurred on Tuesday. Some 300 protesters threw rocks at police officers in riot gear, kicked squad cars and blocked intersections as they marched Wednesday night. The footage of the off-duty officer using his weapon was posted on YouTube and Facebook, sparking outrage and a flurry of phone calls and emails to Anaheim police, who are investigating the officer's actions.

SOURCE: 23 February 2017, [Reuters](#), [Los Angeles Times](#)

(U) San Ysidro – Drug Smugglers from Mexico Use Border Crossings in Spite of Walls

(U) Secure checkpoints along the American-Mexican border have become an increasingly popular entrance for drug smugglers entering the United States, according to the article. Customs agents at the San Ysidro Port of Entry, the busiest land border crossing in the world, check 50,000 vehicles and 20,000 pedestrians on an average day. Located just south of San Diego and a few miles north of Tijuana, there are countless attempts to bring drugs across the border. Border agents have seen drug seizures swell, and heroin and methamphetamine have become increasingly commonplace. The amount of heroin nabbed by agents has quadrupled since 2010 and meth seizures have tripled, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration.

SOURCE: 22 February 2017, [NBC News](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New Jersey – State Prepared for Possible Terrorism After Death of Omar Abdel Rahman

(U) Trenton – New Jersey homeland security officials are on a heightened state of alert following the death of Egyptian cleric Omar Abdel Rahman, also known as the blind sheik. Rahman was serving a life sentence for numerous conspiracy charges, some of which stemmed from his involvement in the 1993 World Trade Center bombings. His death is a cause for concern, because after the announcement last weekend there were several overseas terrorist organizations, namely al-Qa'ida affiliates, issuing statements suggesting retaliatory attacks in response to Rahman's death, according to the director of intelligence for the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness.

SOURCE: 22 February 2017, [New Jersey 101.5 Radio](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Germany – UK Crime Agency Arrests Suspect in Deutsche Telekom Cyber Attack

(U) Bonn – Britain's National Crime Agency has arrested a suspect in connection with last year's cyber attack which infected nearly 1 million Deutsche Telekom routers, according to German federal police. The suspect is a 29-year-old Briton who was arrested at one of London's airports on Wednesday. The attack on Deutsche Telekom, Germany's largest telecom company, took place in late November 2016.

There were as many as 900,000 internet outages due to the attack, which accounts for about 4.5 percent of the company's fixed-line customers.

SOURCE: 23 February 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) Mexico – Mexico Homicides Jump by a Third Amid Cartel Infighting

(U) Baja California – Homicides in Mexico jumped by more than a third in January, fueled by violence in states hit by an internal split in the Sinaloa drug cartel, according to official figures. Murders were up by more than half in the northern states of Chihuahua and Sinaloa. In Baja California there were almost 50 percent more. The power vacuum left by Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, the powerful boss of the Sinaloa cartel, has led to an internal power struggle in the cartel.

SOURCE: 22 February 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) Pakistan – Pakistan Forces Launch 'Indiscriminate' Anti-Terrorism Drive Nationwide

(U) Islamabad – Pakistan on Wednesday launched a countrywide, multi-agency drive to eliminate remnants of terrorism, according to Pakistan's military. The effort comes in the wake of a series of suicide attacks in recent days, including on a Sufi shrine and court complex, claiming more than 100 lives. The operation aims at indiscriminately eliminating the latent threat of terrorism, consolidating gains of operations made thus far and furthering security of the borders, according to a Pakistan military statement.

SOURCE: 23 February 2017, [Hindustan Times](#)

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